



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application)	
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For: AMINO ACID FRAME INDICATION SYSTEM,)	
METHOD FOR AMINO ACID FRAME)	
INDICATION, AND RECORDING MEDIUM)	
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Attorney Docket No. HIRA.0016)	

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2003, the shortened period for response to which will expire on October 15, 2003. Applicants hereby elect the continuing prosecution of Invention I, drawn to an amino acid frame indication system, without traverse. Claims 1 to 8 and 11 to 13 pertain to the elected invention.